

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PGOV, PINT, CS, PN, BF, US  
SUBJ: VESCO DEPARTURE FROM COSTA RICA

1. ORIS RUSSELL, PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBASSY OFFICER AT 12 NOON TODAY SAID GCOB HAD NO DIRECT EVIDENCE THAT VESCO IS IN OR INTENDS TO COME TO THE BAHAMAS.

2. NEW YORK TIMES CORRESPONDENT ALAN RIDING (BASED IN MEXICO CITY) INDICATED TO EMBOFF 1500 HOURS TODAY THAT HE WAS CONVINCED THAT VESCO WAS IN OR IS ON HIS WAY TO THE BAHAMAS. RIDING SAID HE HAD SPENT TWO DAYS CHECKING WITH BAHAMAS IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS OFFICIALS IN NASSAU AND FREEPORT - NONE OF WHOM WERE ABLE TO VERIFY VESCO'S ARRIVAL IN THE BAHAMAS. RIDING ALSO SAID THAT ARTHUR BARNETT, PS, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, HAD ADVISED HIM THIS AFTERNOON THAT BARNETT'S MINISTRY'S CHECK OF BAHAMAS IMMIGRATION ARRIVALS CARDS FOR THE WEEKEND (MAY 5, 6 AND 7) FOR VERIFICATION OF VESCO'S POSSIBLE

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ENTRY INTO THE BAHAMAS HAD PROVED NEGATIVE.

3. WE WILL ADVISE IF ANY SUBSTANTIVE INFORMATION ON VESCO'S WHEREABOUTS IS RECEIVED OR BROUGHT TO THE EMBASSY'S ATTENTION.

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